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**driv-er** <sup>1</sup> (drī'vər)

*n.*

1. One that drives, as the operator of a motor vehicle.
2. A tool, such as a screwdriver or hammer, that is used for imparting forceful pressure on another object.
3. A machine part that transmits motion or power to another part.
4. *Computer Science* A piece of software that enables a computer to communicate with a peripheral device.
5. *Sports* A golf club with a wide head and a long shaft, used for making long shots from the tee.
6. *Nautical* A jib-headed spanker.

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**driver** ['draɪvə]

*n.*

1. a person who drives a vehicle  
**in the driver's seat** in a position of control
  3. a person who drives animals
  4. (Engineering / General Engineering) a mechanical component that exerts a force on another to produce motion
  5. (Individual Sports & Recreations) *Golf* a club, a No. 1 wood, with a large head and deep face for tee shots
  6. (Electronics) *Electronics* a circuit whose output provides the input of another circuit
  7. (Electronics & Computer Science / Computer Science) *Computing* a computer program that controls a device
  8. something that creates and fuels activity, or gives force or impetus
- driverless** *adj*

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## Thesaurus

**Legend:** //Synonyms//Related Words//Antonyms

**Noun 1. driver** - the operator of a motor vehicle

bus driver, busman - someone who drives a bus

chauffeur - a man paid to drive a privately owned car

designated driver - the member of a party who is designated to refrain from alcohol and so is sober when it is time to drive home

honker - a driver who causes his car's horn to make a loud honking sound; "the honker was fined for disturbing the peace"

kerb crawler - someone who drives slowly along the curb seeking sex from prostitutes or other women

automobilist, motorist - someone who drives (or travels in) an automobile

manipulator, operator - an agent that operates some apparatus or machine; "the operator of the switchboard"



owner-driver - a motorist who owns the car that he/she drives  
automobile driver, race driver, racel - someone who drives racing cars at high speeds  
road hog, roadhog - a driver who obstructs others  
speed demon, speeder - a driver who exceeds the safe speed limit  
tailgater - a driver who follows too closely behind another motor vehicle  
cabby, cabdriver, cabman, hack driver, hack-driver, livery driver, taxidriver, taximan - someone who drives a taxi for a living  
truck driver, trucker, teamster - someone who drives a truck as an occupation  
test driver - a driver who drives a motor vehicle to evaluate its performance  
nondriver - a person who is not a driver

**2. driver** - someone who drives animals that pull a vehicle

worker - a person who works at a specific occupation; "he is a good worker"  
charioteer - the driver of a chariot  
coachman - a man who drives a coach (or carriage)  
lasher - a driver who urges the animals on with lashes of a whip  
mahout - the driver and keeper of an elephant  
teamster - the driver of a team of horses doing hauling  
waggoner, wagoner - the driver of a wagon

**3. driver** - a golfer who hits the golf ball with a driver

golf player, golfer, linksman - someone who plays the game of golf

**4. driver** - (computer science) a program that determines how a computer will communicate with a peripheral device

device driver  
computer science, computing - the branch of engineering science that studies (with the aid of computers) computable processes and structures  
service program, utility program, utility - (computer science) a program designed for general support of the processes of a computer; "a computer system provides utility programs to perform the tasks needed by most users"

**5. driver** - a golf club (a wood) with a near vertical face that is used for hitting long shots from the tee

number one wood  
wood - a golf club with a long shaft used to hit long shots; originally made with a wooden head; "metal woods are now standard"

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**driver**

*noun* chauffeur, pilot, motorist a *taxi driver*

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